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QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L MEXICO 11257

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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMB JOVA

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP, MX

SUBJ: DATE OF VISIT BY LOPEZ PORTILLO

1. THE FACT THAT WE HAVE NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE PRECISE DATES OR LET ALONE A PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR THE JOSE LOPEZ PORTILLO VISIT TO PRESIDENT FORD IS HOURLY BECOME MORE EMBARRASSING. I RECOGNIZED THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS BEEN AWAY AND THAT THE WHITE HOUSE STAFF ENGAGED ON OTHER MATTERS, BUT I URGE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD ON THIS BEFORE WE SEEM TO BE IMPOLITE OR DISINTERESTED IN THE VISIT.

2. I AM GOING TO HAVE LUNCH ON FRIDAY, SEPT. 3, WITH JULIO MOCTEZUMA CID, WHO IS LOPEZ PORTILLO'S PRINCIPAL SUBSTANTIVE AIDE. I HOPE IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR ME TO GIVE HIM FIRM DATES FOR THE VISIT AT THAT TIME. THIS LUNCH WOULD ALSO
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PROVIDE EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE ANY OTHER POINTS

OF INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT NOT COVERED IN MY
PREVIOUS CONVERSATION WITH LOPEZ PORTILLO HIMSELF.
JOVA
UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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